HOUSE BILL 3418 By McMillan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 28 and Title 40, Chapter 2, relative to the prosecution of certain crimes involving children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-101, is amended by adding the following new subsection (f) and designating present subsection (f) as subsection (g):
 - (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (g), prosecution for offenses committed against a child shall commence no later than thirty (30) years from the date such child becomes eighteen (18) years of age if:
 - (1) The offense was committed on or after July 1, 2006;
 - (2) The offense committed was:
 - (A) Rape of a child as prohibited by § 39-13-522;
 - (B) Aggravated rape as prohibited by § 39-13-502;
 - (C) Rape as prohibited by § 39-13-503;
 - (D) Aggravated sexual battery as prohibited by § 39-13-504; or
 - (E) Sexual battery by an authority figure as prohibited by § 39-13-527; and
 - (3) The defendant, at the time of the offense:
 - (A) Was in a position of trust or had supervisory or disciplinary power over the victim by virtue of the defendant's legal, professional or occupational status and used such position of trust or power to commit the offense; or

(B) Had parental or custodial authority over the victim and used such authority to commit the offense.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

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